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In re Application of:  
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**Amendment**

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.